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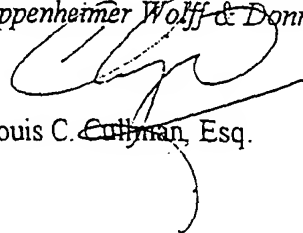
Please find enclosed the first draft of the United States patent application claiming the NO-releasing hydrophobic polymers. I want you both, especially Tony, to pay close attention to pages 15 and 16 and the corresponding claim number 11 on pages 25 and 26. This may be overly broad, but I wanted to capture as much as possible. Let me know what you all think.

Be brutal, no need to spare my feelings. I know it's a good patent; I want the science (chemistry) to be as good.

Thanks in advance. As we discussed, other than Deanna Shirley at AVE, you are the only other persons receiving this draft.

Best regards,

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Good Morning, Dr. Fitzhugh:

As requested, attached is the most recent draft of the **Extremely Hydrophobic Nitric Oxide-Releasing Polymers and Methods for their Manufacture and Use** patent application. This application is in Word 97.

Patty Rasmussen

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Patent Appli...

Chip,

I tried to send this to you the other day and for some reason it didn't go through (server problem?). This is my second attempt. Getting the Jordi application in shape for official filing is now my chief focus so I'll be working on it nonstop until it's complete.

Best regards,

Tony

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Dr. Fitzhugh

I attach to this email a final draft of the Jordi bead application that we will file October 3, 2001.

Your last revisions have been incorporated, and other than some minor corrections to details made by Dr. Keefer, no substantive changes have been made.

This application will list, in order the following inventors:

Anthony L. Fitzhugh, Robert L. Cafferata, Larry K. Keefer.

This application will be filed October 3, 2001. There are publications reaching the press by other groups, specifically Mark Schoenfisch of UNC that I believe could compromise our broadest claims. Therefore, I cannot delay the filing of this application any further than 10/3/01.

To do so may compromise your rights, NIH's rights and Medtronic's rights.

Please e-mail your comments and suggestions back by October 2.

IF WE DON NOT HEAR OTHERWISE FROM YOU BY THAT DATE, WE WILL ASSUME THAT YOU APPROVE OF THE APPLICATION AS PRESENTLY DRAFTED AND WE WILL MAKE NO FURTHER CHANGES TO THE APPLICATION.

Best regards

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